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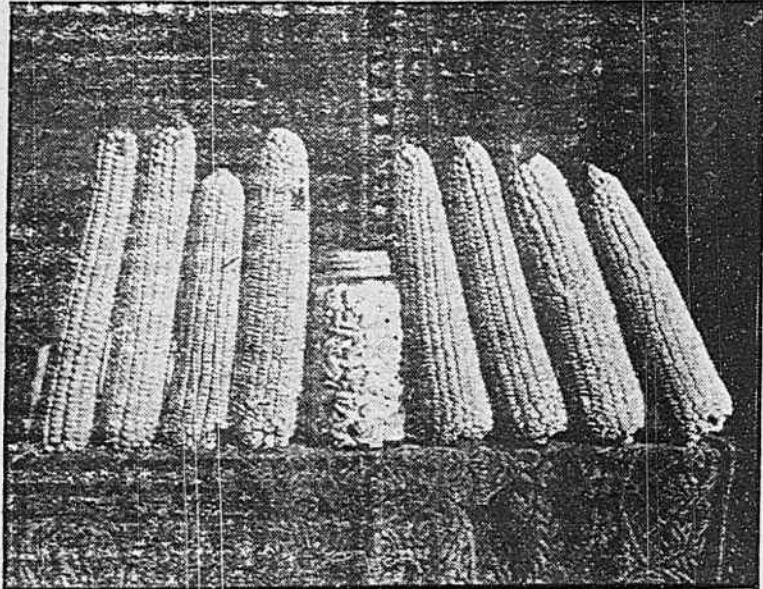
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## A QUART OF SHELLLED CORN FROM ONE EAR



For several years the farmers of the county have been experimenting with a number of varieties of improved corn. Last year Mr. J. T. McMannus planted several varieties, one of them being Shaw's Improved. This is a large eared variety, one ear of which made him a quart of corn as shown by the above cut. The acre produced more than a hundred bushels. He has sold a quantity of it for seed.

### JOHNSTON LETTER.

The building at the marble yard of Mr. T. J. Langston was burned last Monday evening about 9:30 o'clock. When discovered, the blaze was on the roof, but owing to the great weight of the machinery and tools, nothing was saved. Several monuments, nearing completion, and an amount of granite and marble were also in the building. Mr. Langston estimates his loss at \$3,000 which is partly covered with insurance.

Miss Mina Eidson and Mr. Floyd Whittle were married at the home of the bride on Sunday at 2 o'clock, the marriage being a quiet one and was witnessed by only the relatives of the contracting parties. There were no attendants and the bride entered with the maid of honor, Miss Mabel Denny. During the afternoon the happy couple left for their home at Fruit Hill.

### Pleasant Lane News.

(Written for last Week.

Last Saturday evening was the

### Don't Set Out Seedling Trees.

"An agent tells me that the only way to get long-lived trees is to plant seedlings, that the budded or grafted trees fall soon and gum, and the gum runs down on the roots and kills them." Planting seedling trees will result in all sorts of fruit, and most of it very inferior. When a man plants an orchard of peaches or apples, or any other sort of fruit, he wants to know what he will get, and the only way to get the best sorts is to plant budded or grafted trees. A peach tree gums because there are borers in the roots, and there will be as many in a seedling tree as in a budded one, and, of course, they will kill the roots if not taken out. Any man who tries to sell you seedling trees is a fraud and does not know anything about fruit culture.—Progressive Farmer.

### Dr. Burts' Farewell Sermon.

Sunday morning the Baptist church was as full as the capacity would allow, reminding one of the commencement season. Carriages and buggies surrounded the church long before the time for service, the congregation seeking for the last time to listen to the words of wisdom and counsel as well as farewell of their retiring pastor Dr. C. E. Burts.

Dr. Burts had in the audience members of his own congregation as well as many of other denominations and the country churches. His text was: "Be ye steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, inasmuch as ye know your labor is not in vain in the Lord." At the conclusion of the sermon Dr. Burts made a few remarks on the pleasant relationship which he had borne to the church during the 8 years of his ministry in Edgefield, and announced that his resignation had been accepted on Wednesday evening at the time of the regular prayer meeting. This farewell service was a most pathetic in many

### THE STATE PRISON.

#### Population of Penitentiary Increased During Past Year. Many Convicts from the Different States.

The population of the penitentiary of South Carolina was increased during the past year by 239, according to the annual report of the board of directors of the institution, which has been sent to the general assembly. At the close of 1909 there were 893 prisoners. There were in the prison during 1910, 1,140 prisoners. There were 41 convictions for murder or manslaughter with terms in the State prison.

During the past year seven were discharged by pardon, eight by parole and 23 died. The sentences of two were commuted. The sentences of 142 expired. As the law directs there were 33 prisoners given to Clemson college for pay. Six convicts were used at the State house.

Of the 249 convicts received at the penitentiary during the year the following states were represented: South Carolina, 215; Georgia, 5; Tennessee, 2; Louisiana, 2; Florida, 2; Virginia, 1; Alabama, 1; New York, 2; Illinois, 1; Kentucky, 1; Michigan, 1, and North Carolina, 6. The occupations are given as follows: Laborers, 90; farm hands, 66; railroad hands, 23; factory hands, 30; clerk, 1; cooks, 8; painters, 2; washerwomen, 8; farmers, 5; carpenters, 3; nurses, 3; porters, 1; waiters, 5; bookkeeper, 1; fireman, 1; butchers, 2; physician, 1; teamsters, 2.

#### Those Received.

There were received 36 for house-breaking and larceny. There were only four to be received for violation of the dispensary law. The other crimes were as follows: Burglary and larceny, 6; larceny of time

### Farm Opportunities of Today.

It may be there is opportunity wide and unexampled lying stretched out in every section of the South, and while we believe that there is a good living for everybody still man owes the world a greater duty than just to dig up what may be found necessary in the course of life. He who lives and dies on a farm and leaves it no better than he found it is not much of a benefactor to the upbuilding of the world, and the fellow who robs earth of its virgin qualities and puts nothing back is a vandal in the eyes of nature.

But it must be admitted that this is true in numberless instances. We hear a lot about the abandoned and worn-out farms of the South, but in reality it is due to a species of vandalism that prevails in nearly every section of the country. There seems to be no way to eradicate this trouble but by just keeping hammering at the perpetrators of the deeds and possibly they may gradually cease.

There is another cause which may eventually contribute to the work, and that is the continual destruction of the forest and consequently less acreage of virgin soil. Some time it will be a case of necessity for the farmers of the future to take up the old abandoned tracts of land and restore them to their old fertility. It is a good thing for the South that nearly all the land can be treated in this style for there are really no worn-out farms in the country. It is all a case of mere abandonment.

However, now is the opportune time for the Southern farmers to get together and solve the troubles that seem to be effecting the whole country. The farmer who takes up a system of farming that will produce what he needs at home will be following one of the best ideas that it is possible to advance. There may be measures of science applied with benefit but the crops that can

## Excitement Prevails In Big Contest

As the Contest Progresses the Enthusiasm of the Candidates is Greatly Increased and Intense Excitement Prevails.

NOW IS THE TIME TO USE YOUR VERY BEST EFFORTS

If There are any Friends you Have not Solicited, See Them at Once. Get Them Interested.

5,000 Free Votes to be Given to the Contestant Sending in the Largest Number of Subscriptions within the Next Ten Days.

Who will get the pair of lace curtains that will be given by J. W. Peak February 18? That is just what we can't tell. Now is your time to work for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

participate either as a nominator or voter in the contest.

Rule (6) Candidates will not be restricted in securing subscriptions to any territory, but may secure them in any place in the State.

Rule (9) Votes once issued can not be transferred to another contestant.

Rule (10) Contestants in contest must agree to accept all rules and conditions in the contest.

Rule (11) The right is reserved to reject the name of any contestant for cause, also to alter these rules should the occasion demand.

Rule (12) Any question that may arise between the contestants will be decided by the contest manager and his decision will be final.

Rule (13) Under no condition will the nominators name be divulged. The manager will be always ready to call and explain anything regarding the contest.

Rule (14) Contestants may hold their votes until they wish to cast them. Until they are cast your standing will not be published.

Rule (15) If any party stops his or her paper and transfers it to another member of the family of the same address it will not count as a new subscription.

Scale of Votes.

New.

1 year 2,000 Votes.

2 " 5,000 "

3 " 8,000 "

4 " 11,000 "

5 " 15,000 "

Renewal and Collections.

1,000 Votes.

25,000 "

4,000 "

5,500 "

7500 "

the farmer has, and it is partly his fault if he overlooks the measure. There may be some other things that look more attractive to the average man than farming, but if you want to live a life worth the living, then stick to the farm through thick and thin, and results will be sure to come.

There are many openings in industrial and commercial ways in the South now, it must be admitted, but to every one of them there are a dozen in farming for the fellow who will settle down and stick to the work.

### Don't "Go Back to the Farm," Stay There.

"Back to the farm" is futile, because only failures come back, but "Stick to the farm" is good, because all that is or can be springs from the soil." This sentence, attributed by Harper's Weekly to Theodore N. Vail, president of the great telephone and telephone consolidation, may not be absolutely true in every case, but in its general meaning it is. The men needed on the farm are not the derelicts or the drifters, but those able to guide their own course. It may be a good thing to bring boys and men from the towns out to the farm; but it is a far finer and more valuable thing to train the young men now growing up in the country so that they will love the farm and make it pay, to educate them for leadership in the great work of re-making our rural life. The story of the country boy who went to the city and made a great success has been told a thousand times; let us show the strong, energetic country boy that he can make just as great a success in the country. When we do this these boys, born to be leaders of men, will not feel that they must go to town to seek their fortune, and country life will be finer and better than we have ever dreamed. What is your community doing to make its brightest boys and girls stick to the farm.—Progressive Farmer.

The Table.

The following table shows the number of prisoners received from each county in the State:

Abbeville, 3; Anderson, 6; Aiken, 9; Bamberg, 2; Berkeley, 1; Beaufort, 2; Barnwell, 8; Calhoun, 2; Charleston, 35; Chester, 3; Chesterfield, —; Cherokee, 2; Clarendon, 1; Colleton, 2; Dorchester, 3; Darlington, 6; Edgefield, 1 Fairfield, 2; Florence, 7; Georgetown, 9; Greenwood, 13; Greenville, 8; Hampton, 3; Horry, 1; Kershaw, 11; Lancaster, 2; Lee, 8; Lexington, 7; Laurens, 5; Marion, 3; Marlboro, 4; Newberry, 4; Oconee, 7; Orangeburg, 6; Pickens, 1; Richland, 19; Saluda, 4; Sumter, 8; Spartanburg, 7; Union, 1; Williamsburg, 3; York, 7. Total, 239.—The State.

### Elegant Social Event.

On Friday evening Miss Lillie May Bailey entertained about twenty of Edgefield's young people in honor of her birthday. The pleasures of the evening were all mingled with ideas of Saint Valentine, hearts being used in decoration as well as in the contests. The table for all the contests were beautifully decorated with spring flowers, jonquils, hyacinths and violets. A profusion of pink and white carnations were also used in one of the rooms. The refreshments were a very elaborate salad course, a variety of cake and Charlotte Russe. Misses Lila and Minnie Fuller and Mr. Earle Fuller were among the guests from out of town.

### Entertainment at Lott School.

On Friday night, February 17th, there will be an entertainment at the Lott School-house. Proceeds will go for further improvements. Public cordially invited. General admission 25 cents—children 15 cents.

and his failing health was noted by his friends. He was a Christian gentleman, and was liked by all.

Mrs. H. J. Hendrix has returned to her home in St. Paul, Minn., after a month's visit to her mother Mrs. J. T. Stillwell.

Dr. T. C. Bomar, of Spartanburg, visited his mother, Mrs. M. DeLoach during last week.

Miss Lucile Mobley left on Friday for Middlebrook, Va., to attend the marriage of her brother, Mr. W. A. Mobley to Miss Eva Watts Hamilton, which occurred on Wednesday morning. Mr. Mobley, accompanied by his best man, Mr. Hugh Latimer left on Monday to be in for the reception of Tuesday evening.

Misses Lois White, of Louisville, Ga., and Hazel Hughes, of Augusta, Ga., are guests of Mrs. Will Crouch.

Mrs. Hiliary Crouch left on Friday for Greenwood to visit her sister, Mrs. Taylor Goodwyn.

Dr. Claud Latimer and Mr. Hugh Latimer, spent several days of last week here with their mother, Mrs. Susie Latimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiliary Grant have begun house-keeping in the new home they purchased.

A very interesting meeting of the W. M. S. of the Baptist church was held with Mrs. A. J. Mobley on Monday afternoon, and at the close the officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Mrs. L. C. Latimer, president; Mrs. W. S. Dorset, vice-president; Mrs. J. A. Lott, Recording secretary; Mrs. W. J. Hatcher, corresponding secretary; Mrs. S. J. Watson, treasurer.

Mrs. J. H. White received a telegram on Monday stating the sudden death of her brother-in-law Mr. E. E. Andrews, which had occurred in Richmond, Va., during the morning. For several years Mr. Andrews traveled for a northern firm and made his home in Asheville, N. C. The remains were brought to Greenwood on Wednesday, the home of his parents, and interred in the cemetery there. He leaves a widow and three children. Mrs. White, who went to Asheville, to be with her sister in her bereavement, attended the funeral at Greenwood.

The mission study class met with Mrs. W. J. Hatcher on Wednesday morning, who is instructor. A most profitable hour was spent, and many facts of interest were told. Before departure, all enjoyed luncheon with the hostess.

Messrs. J. Howard Payne, Frank and Jule Bland went over to Columbia on Thursday to take in a musical play at the opera house.

Mrs. Jeff Cox, of Chester, is the guest of Mrs. J. D. Bartley.

P. Walker, Jr., is the delegate from here.

Mr. N. H. Timmerman made a flying trip over to Augusta last Thursday, the 2nd. No use to say he had a pleasant time, that is understand when you go to Augusta.

Mr. Price Bryan, who has been desperately ill with pneumonia for several weeks, is very much improved. For some time it was thought that he could not recover, but we are glad to know, that with loving hands to nurse him, and the help of Dr. Self, the attending physician, he is recuperating and will soon be up again we hope.

Miss Ida Timmerman of the S. C. C. I. spent the week end here with home folks.

One of Mr. J. Y. Dorn's little boys was thrown from a mule one day last week, and his arm was badly injured. It is hoped that he will soon be well again.

Rev. Foster Spear, pastor of McKendree church, spent last Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Mounzon Dorn.

Pleasant Lane school will close in a few more weeks, and we regret very much that we cannot have a longer term.

There will be preaching services at McKendree church on February 19th, followed by the administration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Neb.

### Entertainment for Berea School.

There will be an entertainment at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lake Prince on Friday night of this week, the 17th, for the benefit of Berea school to help pay for the new desks. This will be a lunch party and will be a very enjoyable affair. Let everybody in the community and all in reach of Mr. and Mrs. Prince's home take advantage of this opportunity to have a good time and help a good cause at the same time. Remember the time, Friday night, the 17th.

"Ma, what are the folks in our church gettin' up a subscription for?" "To send our minister on a vacation to Europe." "Won't there be no church services while he's gone?" "No, dear." "Ma, I got \$1.23 in my bank. Can I give that?"

Magistrate (to prisoner)—"If you were there for no dishonest purposes, why were you in your stocking feet?" Prisoner—"I heard there was sickness in the family." —Punch.